

RUSSIANS, LOSING GROUND, BLAME WESTERN ALLIES FOR GERMAN GAINS

HUNDRED POLITICAL CHIEFS,
HEADED BY T. TAGGART, ARE
HELD FOR ELECTION FRAUDS

Marion County, Indiana,
Furnishes the Latest Cor-
ruption Scandal.

ALL PARTIES ACCUSED

Bribery, Blackmail and Tam-
pering With Voting Ma-
chines Mentioned.

Indianapolis, Ind., June 22.—Thomas

Taggart, democratic national commit-
teeman for Indiana, Mayor Joseph
E. Ball, Chief of Police Samuel V. Par-
son and 125 others were indicted to-
day by the Marion county grand jury
charged with conspiracy to commit
a felony, through violation of
election laws, bribery and blackmail.
Taggart and Ball were the first to be
indicted in the case and were re-
leased on a \$10,000 bond and Ball on a \$10,000 bond. The in-
dictment created a sensation.

More than a dozen members of May-
or Ball's official family were indicted
and as many more members of the
police force were named. The others
indicted included election officials,
ward and precinct leaders, workers at
the polls, and voters.

The indictment is in 43 counts and
covers more than 175 typewritten
pages. The number named in it is
two more than contained in the indict-
ment returned in the Terre Haute elec-
tion conspiracy. Although 125 men
were indicted in the Terre Haute case,
only 115 arrests were made. It is said
possibly to be the largest number of
men ever named in a single bill.

All the men, democrats, republicans
and progressives, are named in a
single indictment, which contains
counts and covers 175 typewritten
pages. The main charge is conspiracy
to commit felonies by corrupting the
election, by violation of the primary
law, the registration laws, by bribery
and blackmail. Included among those
indicted are said to be a number of
primary, registration and election offi-
cials. The indictment charges con-
spiracy to permit persons to register
falsely and to vote falsely in the pri-
mary and in the election; multiple vot-
ing; permitting the destruction of bal-
lots. Two counts set up a conspiracy
to aid in marking ballots in a manner
not requested by the voter and the use
of money in influencing the election,
both at the primary and in the general
election.

Tally Sheets Falsified.

Falsifying the tally sheets for certain
counties is alleged in another
section of the indictment. Another count
charges that pollmen were per-
mitted to stand within 50 feet of the polls
"for improper purposes" in violation of
the state law.

Repeaters were imported from out-
side the county, the indictment al-
leges.

Several counts charge election offi-
cials with tampering with the voting
machines and not keeping them in
proper order.

Taggart Pleads Ignorance.

Many members of Mayor Ball's offi-
cial family, former city officials, po-
licemen, ward leaders and primary
and election officials are among those
indicted. Among the more prominent
were Herman Adams, city sealer; Ed-
ward Lyons, democratic candidate for
county treasurer; Dr. John W. Blum,
republican, and former superintendent
of the city hospital; Dunn M. Roberts,
former mayor of Terre Haute, who
was convicted in the election fraud
trial in federal court here recently,
and Charles Covell, former Mayor
Ball's secretary.

Roberts' connection with Indianapolis
politics was touched on during his
trial.

Mr. Taggart, who came to Indian-
apolis from French Lick today, said:
"I don't know anything about it, ex-
cept what I have seen in the news-
papers. I do not know what I have been
indicted for. In fact, I have been a
regular angel."

Mr. Taggart declined to discuss the
case further and went directly to the
sheriff's office, where he was met by
his bondsmen.

In all 125 men were named in the
indictment, which is said to be pos-
sibly the largest number of men ever
indicted in a single bill.

ROBERT LANSING TO
BE MADE SECRETARY

Washington, D. C., June 22.—The
cabinet was in session today less
than an hour. Neither the Mexi-
can nor European situations were
touched nor was the appointment
of a secretary of state brought
up. The indications today were
that Robert Lansing would be
named.

Postmaster General Barleson
announced he would thoroughly
investigate the charges that mail
between the United States and
Sweden had been opened in Eng-
land and also would investigate
the right of belligerents to open
mail passing between neutrals.

TO NAME JOLIET
MURDERER TODAY

Chain of Evidence Said to Be Tighten-
ing About Joe Campbell, Mrs.
Allen's Servant.

Joliet, Ill., June 22.—Officials of the
penitentiary here expect that the name
of the convict who murdered the wife
of Warden Allen Sunday morning will
be known today.

"Chicken Joe" Campbell, the negro
trusty who has been the principal sus-
pect in the case, gave the information
on which the prediction was based.
At midnight last night Deputy Warden
Ryan and four other prison offi-
cials entered Campbell's cell, where he
has been on bread and water, and kept
him in a standing position most of
the time since Sunday. The negro, who was
the last, so far as is known, to see Mrs.
Allen alive, was badly shaken by his
treatment but, according to Ryan, did
not confess.

"For two hours we gave him the
third degree," said Ryan, "and he told
us enough to cause suspicion on one
man. I will be surprised if a sensa-
tion does not develop by noon."

The inquest was resumed at 10
o'clock. Mrs. Allen will be buried this
afternoon.

Elaborate precautions against a
demonstration of convicts were taken
when Campbell was called as a wit-
ness by the coroner.

Every prisoner, including the trans-
fers, was locked up. Campbell was
surrounded by 12 guards who rushed
him on the run through the corridors
to the jury room.

He was on the stand for an hour and
a half, and probably will be recalled
later. He told a connected story, but
in one important essential contradicted
the testimony given yesterday by
the turnkey, Larkin. Larkin said
that Campbell was in the Allen apart-
ments Sunday morning 10 or 25 min-
utes.

"I was there about three minutes,"
said Campbell, "and the reason for that
was that I wanted to smoke a
cigar. Smoking is against the rules
and I hid myself in the linen closet
for a few minutes to smoke."
Campbell had been forced to stand
upright in a solitary cell, without
water, or sleep, since Sunday morn-
ing, when the burned body of Mrs.
Allen was found on a blazing bed in
the warden's apartments. The negro,
who had been sentenced from Chi-
cago for killing a member of his own
race, was followed by officials to have
been the last person to have seen
Mrs. Allen alive. Campbell had been
detained as a servant in the Allen
apartment.

New evidence and statements made
at the inquest yesterday pointed
strongly to the guilt of Campbell, ac-
cording to prison officials. A blood-
stained collar, found in the ruins of
Mrs. Campbell's room, was admitted
by Campbell to belong to him. He
asserted, however, that he had got the
blood on the collar while shaving a
week ago.

Funeral services for Mrs. Allen were
to be held today in Christ Episcopal
church. Although burial will be pri-
vate, friends from all parts of the
state were expected to attend the ser-
vices. Governor Dunne and a number
of state executives had planned to at-
tend.

Chicago, Ill., June 22.—Captain Mi-
chael P. Evans of the bureau of iden-
tification of the police department,
who took photographs of finger prints
in the Allen murder case, said today
that photographs of finger prints in
the Allen murder case were valueless
because scores of hands were shown
by the negatives to have handled the
various objects in Mrs. Allen's room.

American Rights Not Affected.

Washington, D. C., June 22.—Presi-
dent Wilson expressed the opinion to-
day that the recent order of the gov-
ernor general of Korea forbidding
teaching of religion in schools which
have a general curriculum did not af-
fect the rights of Americans under in-
ternational law. No protest has been
received so far from American mis-
sionaries.

GERARD IN DARK
ON DATE ANSWER
TO SECOND NOTE

Ambassador Unable to Con-
jecture Time to Be Tak-
en for Its Preparation.

Washington, D. C., June 22.—Ambas-
sador Gerard has been unable to learn
as yet when he will receive the Ger-
man reply to the last American note on
submarine warfare. President Wilson
said today he had received a dispatch
from Mr. Gerard yesterday and that
the ambassador seemed unable to con-
jecture the time which would be re-
quired in Berlin for its preparation.
The new note which the United
States will send to Germany on the
case of the American ship William
P. Frey, sunk by the Prinz Eitel Fried-
rich, is about ready. The president
will discuss it with Secretary Lansing
tomorrow and it probably will be dis-
patched before the president leaves for
the summer White house at Cornish, N.
H., tomorrow night.

Berlin, June 22, (via London).—The
German authorities today informed
the management of the Berlin Tages
Zeitung that it would have to suspend
publication for an indefinite period on
account of the recent article published
in this paper on the subject of Ger-
man-American relations from the pen
of Count von Reventlow.

The action of the German authori-
ties is regarded here as an indication
that the government is weary of see-
ing its relations with America made
more strained by journalistic out-
pourings such as those of Count von
Reventlow. The article in question fol-
lowed the well-known line of that
writer, who asserts that international
law must be disregarded in the conduct
of submarine warfare. He declared
these laws were made before subma-
rines were invented. The govern-
ment's prompt action in suspending
the paper is but one of many indica-
tions that responsible statesmen are
eagerly desirous of finding a common
ground for an understanding with
America.

NEEDHAM KILLED
BEFORE LANDING

Writer Struck by Propeller of War-
ner's Aeroplane While Pilot Is
Switching Back.

Paris, June 22.—Investigation, made
by experts is said to have revealed
that the aeroplane accident which re-
sulted in the deaths of Lieutenant L.
A. J. Warner and Henry Beach
Needham, the American writer, on
June 17, was due to the fact that the
men were not strapped to their seats.
It is now believed that Lieutenant
Warner was "switched back" and
not attempting to "loop the loop" when
the accident occurred.

Mr. Needham was thrown out first.
He was struck and killed by the prop-
eller before he reached the ground.
Lieutenant Warner fell clear but the
injuries he suffered when he struck
the earth caused his death a few min-
utes later.

The body of Mr. Needham probably
will be sent to the United States
aboard the French line steamer Chi-
cago sailing from Bordeaux.

WEATHER FORECASTS
SENT VIA WIRELESS

Washington, D. C., June 22.—Inland
distribution of weather forecasts by
wireless is the latest experiment to be
undertaken by the weather bureau.
The plan contemplates the sending
of forecasts for Illinois from the wire-
less station at Joliet between
12:45 p. m. and 1 p. m. to other radio
points within a radius of 125 miles.
The messages will be transmitted at
a speed slow enough to accommodate
 amateur wireless operators.

ARBITRATORS BEGIN
BIG JOB AT CHICAGO

Chicago, Ill., June 22.—Arbitrators
chosen to settle the questions involved
in the 48 hour strike last week of 14,
600 street car employees, began their
sessions today. Maclay Horne,
state's attorney, represented the union
men and James Sheehan, an attorney,
the companies. Mayor Thompson was
the umpire. The award, it was expect-
ed, will be made within two weeks.

More to Save Becker.

New York, June 22.—The first move
in the final attempt to save Charles
Becker from execution for the murder
of Herman Rosenthal was made to-
day. Martin T. Manton, Becker's chief
counsel, went to Albany to discuss
with Governor Whitman Becker's pro-
posed appeal for executive clemency.

YAQUI WASTE
FROM MEXICO
INDIAN RAIDS

Valley Devastated Without
Protest From General
Villa's Soldiers.

AMERICAN IS ATTACKED

Ranch Is Surrounded Four
Days by Riotous Band—
Assistance Awaited.

Washington, D. C., June 22.—Admiral
Howard, with his forces at Tahiti bay,
near Guaymas, reported today that he
was gathering information and had
conferred with Consul Hostetter. No
further details of the defeat of the ex-
pedition of Villa troops were received.
Admiral Howard's forces of marines
and bluejackets will not be landed un-
less fresh attacks are reported. Offi-
cials believe Maytorena will employ
all forces at his command to curb the
Indians.

Aboard U. S. S. Colorado, off Guaya-
mas, Sonora, Mexico, June 21, (by ra-
dio to San Diego, Cal., June 22).—Fif-
teen hundred Villa troops under Gen-
eral Sosa were promised as protection
for foreigners in the Yaqui valley, at a
conference aboard the Colorado today
between Admiral Howard, commanding
the Pacific fleet, and his staff, and Gen-
eral Leyva, military commandant at
Guaymas. General Leyva said that
the landing of American marines might
be misinterpreted by the masses of the
Mexican people.

Washington, D. C., June 22.—Condi-
tions in the Yaqui valley, where the
United States is faced with the possi-
bility of landing forces to protect the
settlers against raiding Indians, are
described as desperate in today's state
department advice.

One settler who left the valley on
the last train and arrived at Nogales
yesterday, said half the valley had
been devastated without protest from
the 40 Villa troops who were the only
soldiers in the region.

One ranch, presumably American-
owned, had been surrounded for four
days by 300 Indians. The settlers
were prepared to defend themselves
against attack until American marines
should arrive. He expressed the be-
lief that Maytorena's Mexican forces
would be unable to check the Indians.

Officials here believe, however, that
the settler left the valley before any
of the additional troops ordered to
the Yaqui region by Governor May-
torena had been dispatched. More
recent advices from American officials
and other near the valley, it was said,
had not reported any new attacks on
foreigners.

Confirmation of a report that Gen-
eral Gonzales had begun the occupa-
tion of Mexico City with Carranza
troops was lacking, but a message
from Consul Stillman at Vera Cruz
said communication with the capital
had been severed. The wires were
cut beyond Ocotuba, about 25 miles
from Mexico City, he said, presumably
by Zapata raiders.

Red Cross Feels Desperate.

Officials thought it possible that
might mean that Zapata troops had
withdrawn from the capital and that
a raiding force was operating between
General Gonzales and Vera Cruz. Mr.
Stillman did not report what Carranza
officials thought of the situation.

Reports from Monclova said 8,000
desperate Mexicans there were being
fed daily by American Red Cross
agents. Eye-witnesses arriving at Eagle
Pass, Texas, from Saltillo said there
was desperate need of relief there.

President Wilson said today he had
no official knowledge that General Fe-
lipe Angeles, Villa's chief lieutenant,
was coming to Washington. It had
been reported on the border that An-
geles had been sent for by American
officials, while another report was
that he was coming of his own initiative
to outline plans for pacifying Mexico.

THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for
Rock Island, Davenport, Moline
and Vicinity.

Fair tonight and Wednesday, not
much change in temperature. Temper-
ature at 7 a. m. 63. Highest yesterday
82, lowest last night 58.
Velocity of wind at 7 a. m. 7 miles
per hour.
Precipitation none.
Stage of water 7.3 a fall of .1 in last
24 hours.
J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Evening stars: Mercury, Saturn,
Mars. Morning stars: Jupiter, Venus.
Summer solstice: Summer begins 7:22
a. m. Washington mean time.

GEORGIA MILITIA
STILL GUARDING
HOME OF SLATON

Governor Fights Off Mob
While Directing Means to
Protect Leo Frank.

Atlanta, Ga., June 22.—While the
militia still was on guard at Govern-
or Slaton's country home, quiet pre-
vailed both there and in the city to-
day and there was no indication of a
repetition of the exciting scenes of yes-
terday and last night, which followed
the announcement of the commutation
of Leo M. Frank's death sentence.
In the city the near-by saloons,
closed by the authorities yesterday,
were allowed to reopen this morning
and there were no crowds in the
streets.

At the governor's home it was stated
that the militia probably would be
withdrawn tonight.
State and city officials insisted that
last night's demonstrations probably
had ended the possibility of any men-
ace to the governor by the people most
bitterly opposed to the commutation
of Frank's sentence. A state of pre-
paredness was maintained today.

The Frank case still was discussed
on the streets today, but calmly and
in striking contrast to the tension of
yesterday. The local newspapers gave
very little space to the case today.

Twenty-four arrests were made yes-
terday in the city and last night in the
neighborhood of the Slaton home.

THE WAR TODAY

Four more vessels have been sunk
by submarines and in the case of one
of them—the British steamer Caris-
brook—12 men of the crew are unac-
counted for. The Carisbrook, which
was engaged in trans-Atlantic trade,
was sunk by gun fire from a German
submarine. A large Turkish steamer
and two Turkish sailing vessels were
torpedoed in the Black sea by Russian
submarines.

A press dispatch from Athens re-
ports great activity in the allied fleet
at the Dardanelles, from which it is
assumed a general attack on the
peninsula is being carried on vigor-
ously, with offensive movements
on the part of both the Turks and al-
lies but neither side has been able to
break the deadlock. The Turks made
an attack last Wednesday but are said
to have been repulsed, 700 men being
captured.

Advices from Austro-Hungarian
headquarters in Galicia attribute the
recent decided successes of the Austro-
German forces to their great superi-
ority in artillery. The fall of Lemberg
is expected in a day or two. An of-
ficial statement from Petrograd con-
cedes the Russian retirement from the
Grodok lakes, west of Lemberg. On
the Dniester, it is said, the Austrians
were driven back from two villages
with heavy losses, and on the remain-
der of the front they have made no
further progress.

The battle of Plava on the Isonzo
front is still in progress, the Austrians
making repeated efforts to drive back
the Italians across the river. An of-
ficial communication from Rome says
these attempts have failed. Elsewhere
along the Italian front less important
engagements are occurring, with
small successes claimed by the Ital-
ians.

Wireless dispatches from Berlin re-
present the battle in the vicinity of
Arras, northern France, as one of the
greatest conflicts of the war, which
may decide the fate of France. Losses
of both the Germans and the allies are
described as enormous.

The official French and German
statements give few details of this bat-
tle.

In Alsace there was heavy fighting
and the French assert their lines were
pushed further northward. The Ger-
mans say their positions were trans-
ferred to the eastern bank of the river.

An unofficial message from Berlin
says the Russians have been defeated
all along their line ten miles in front
of Lemberg.

CZAR'S SUBMARINES
SINK THREE VESSELS

Petrograd, (via London), June 22.—
It is officially announced that Russian
submarines have sunk a large steamer
and two sailing vessels belonging to
the Turks, in the Black sea, between
Eregli, a seaport 120 miles east of the
Bosphorus, and Kefken island, 60
miles west of Eregli.

America to Supply Legs.

Chicago, Ill., June 22.—England is
looking to America to supply its crippled
soldiers with artificial legs, it be-
came known today with the announce-
ment that a Chicago firm had forward-
ed a shipment of 100 legs and was
working on another large order.

TEUTON FORCES NOW WITHIN
10 MILES OF LEMBERG; RUSS
ADMIT OFFENSIVE BROKENFRENCH LOSSES ARE
REPORTED FEARFUL

Berlin, June 22 (by wireless to
Sayville).—The Overseas News
agency today gave out the follow-
ing:

"Reports from Dutch sources
state that the French losses are
fearful. The hospitals at Amiens
and Abbeville are overcrowded.
The constant arrival of trains with
wounded adds to the confusion
and it is impossible to give the
usual care to the injured.
"Soldiers write that from Arras
to Sochez (about eight miles) the
field is covered with corpses and
that the odor is unbearable.
"Reports from neutral sources
declare that the battle raging near
Arras may decide the fate of
France. Both sides fight with un-
heard of courage and heroism. The
French are very strong. The
Germans continuously receive re-
inforcements. The losses on both
sides are fearful."

DUNKIRK SHELLED
AND MANY KILLED

French Report Seaport Bombarded
During the Night by Heavy Artil-
lery—Civilians Victims.

Paris, June 22.—The French official
statement says the seaport of Dunkirk
was bombarded last night by a piece
of long range artillery. Fourteen
shells were thrown and several civil-
ians were killed.

"Belgian troops, at a point to the
southwest of St. George, took posses-
sion of a German trench, all the de-
fenders of which were either killed or
taken prisoner."

"In the section north of Arras, dur-
ing last night, the enemy, following a
bombardment of great intensity, at-
tacked at several different points.
They were driven back everywhere ex-
cept southeast of Sochez, where they
were successful in gaining a footing in
a section of a trench. In the region of
the 'Labyrinth' the enemy suffered
heavy losses. A German counter at-
tack last evening directed against the
positions which we had captured east
of the Quenneviers farm was checked
by our infantry and artillery fire. The
enemy used bombs containing asphyx-
iating gases."

"In the Argonne the situation has
undergone no change.
"In Lorraine we have, as a result of
a fresh attack, advanced for 300 yards
north of our former positions on the
eastern slope of Reillon, occupied the
ridges south of Remabois, repulsed
easily a counter attack which began at
Leintrey and stopped another southeast
of Parroy and took a number of pris-
oners."

"In the valley of the Fecht all our
gains have been retained and we con-
tinue to make progress. We have
passed north of Metzeral, as well as
south of this town, and we have gained
ground beyond the River Anlafwassun.
"In the region of Sondernach we
took some prisoners and captured three
machine guns."

MUNITIONS GREAT
ALLIES' PROBLEM

"What We Have Come to Is Redem-
ption of World by Shells," Writes
a Correspondent.

London, June 22.—David Lloyd-
George, minister of munitions, who
returned from a week-end stay at Bo-
logne, where he consulted Albert
Thomas, French under-secretary of
war, on the munitions question, is
forming committees in London as well
as in all manufacturing towns, to take
advantage of every possibility for in-
creasing the production of munitions,
which is the gravest problem confront-
ing the allies in all the theatres of the
war.

The Times this morning prints a dis-
patch from its correspondent in east-
ern France who asserts that if the
French troops are to drive home their
offensive in overwhelming force they
must use a tremendously increased
bulk of ammunition. The same les-
son comes from England from the
Woerre front, he points out, while
the retreat of the Russian armies in
Galicia hammers it home again.

The correspondent says the daily
output of shells certainly is much
larger than it was four months ago
and that it is possible that a reserve
supply of ammunition is being built
up much more rapidly than is appar-
ent at the front, but, he adds, "what
we have come to is the redemption of
the world by shells."

Said to Be Fighting Only to
Save Artillery and Other
War Material.

WHOLE LINE IS DRIVEN

Czar's General Staff in an
Appeal to the Country to
Maintain Calmness.

Berlin, June 22 (by wireless to Say-
ville, N. Y.).—Announcement made to-
day by the Overseas News agency says
that the Russians before Lemberg have
been defeated along their whole line
and are fighting only to gain time in
order to save their artillery and other
war material.

"The Germans and Austrians are
within ten miles of Lemberg," the an-
nouncement adds. "The main posi-
tions of the Russians are shelled by
our armies."

London, June 22.—Discussing the re-
ception in Petrograd of the bad news
from the Galician front, the Daily Mail
correspondent in the Russian capital
says:

"An appeal to the country to main-
tain calmness, signed by the Russian
general staff, is posted in public places
throughout the city, giving assurances
that the whole truth is told in official
communications and that wild rumors
which are being circulated in Petro-
grad are unfounded."

"Military men view the situation
without alarm, although admitting it
may be some time before Russia is
again able to resume a vigorous of-
fensive. They assert that Russia has
borne for 10 months the chief burden
of war, suffering the greatest losses
and materially improving the situation
in the west."

"While she is reforming for a re-
newal of the battle Russia looks to the
allies to carry the war forward and
give Germany no rest. The situation
as regards ammunition is expected to
improve daily."

Evacuation of City Expected.

London, June 22.—Nothing but a
sudden and unexpected blow by Grand
Duke Nicholas, commander in chief of
the Russian forces in the field, can
now save Lemberg, the capital of Gal-
icia, from returning to the possession
of its former owners, and the almost
immediate evacuation of the city by
the Russians is expected in London.

After yielding on the Grodek lines,
the Russian armies retired to virtually
the outskirts of the city of Lemberg
itself. Reported attacks on the Rus-
sians are assumed in London to be
merely incidents of the rear guard
actions to enable the main forces to
withdraw.

Dispatches say the armies of Em-
peror Nicholas are virtually intact
and that their ability to resume the in-
itiative has not been greatly impaired.
This interval, however, it is argued,
will give the German allies opportu-
nity to prepare to withstand assaults
from the east, which they can do with
much smaller forces than were re-
quired successfully to attack, and large
masses of men will be released.

The Germans in north Russia and
Poland are busily consolidating their
gains in a manner which suggests
more important movements in these
regions. The seaport of Libau is
strongly fortified. Heavy naval guns
have been installed and Prince Henry
of Prussia is credited with saying that
the Germans intend to retain posses-
sion of Libau at all costs.

SUBMARINE SINKS
SHIP; 13 MISSING

British Steamer Carisbrook, Montreal
for Leith, Sent Down by Ger-
mans North of Kinnairds.

London, June 22.—The British
steamer Carisbrook of Glasgow, from
Montreal for Leith, Scotland, was sunk
by gun fire from a German submarine
June 21, at a point 40 miles north of
Kinnairds Head. Eleven members of
her crew were saved. Thirteen are
as yet unaccounted for.

The Carisbrook was 300 feet long
and of 2,352 gross tons. She was
built at Sunderland in 1907 and was
reported at Montreal the beginning of
June.

Montreal, Que., June 22.—The Caris-
brook left here June 10 with a cargo
of grain. She was commanded by Cap-
tain A. D. Hunter. The ship had a nar-
row escape from German cruisers in
the south Atlantic in the early stage of
the war.